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1. Miguel Segura Jauregui, President of the Patronato de Niños Espanoles en la URSS and a member of the Information Bureau of the Spanish Communist Party, delivered a letter from his party to the Soviet Ambassador in Mexico City. The letter, dated 14 April 1949, addressed to "Comrade, Soviet Ambassador," Mexico City, is quoted in translation below:
2. "The Central Committee of the Spanish Communist Party in Mexico, in full cognizance of the present political situation of the Spanish problem, before the coming UN meeting, appeals to you with the usual cordiality, asking that you send this recommendation to the Soviet representatives at the UN.
3. "The present circumstances regarding the problem of Spain at the UN can be subdivided into two principal ones: one, the circumstance created by those nations which, despite previous resolutions, maintain relations with the bloodthirsty regime of Franco; the other, the circumstance formed by the block of nations hostile to Franco. Included in the block, in addition to the glorious Soviet Union, are Poland, Rumania, France, Bulgaria, Slovakia, and Croatia in Europe, and Mexico, Guatemala, and Panama, on the American Continent.
4. "These blocks of nations, according to reports, will completely adhere to their usual attitude. But we know that, when the Atlantic Pact is established in Europe, a pact that is a war instrument of Yankee imperialism, the nations included in it may modify their attitude. The opinions published in Washington concerning the signing of this Pact are well known.
5. "Concretely, we know the case of Portugal. As a signer of the Pact, she will bring pressure to have Spain included in the Pact, not wishing to break the treaty of mutual friendship established by the two countries.
6. "Italy, whose foreign policy is directed by the reactionary Sforza, wants the imperialistic countries to support the constitution of a Mediterranean Pact, a measure that tends to reconsider the strategic value of Spain and the need for her to sign by exception.
7. "We also know that Churchill, on his recent visit to the United States, persuaded the representatives of Belgium, Holland, Denmark, and Norway to

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bring pressure upon their diplomatic representatives to the UN in favor of Franco's cause.

8. "With the foregoing information, we set forth to Comrade, the Soviet Ambassador, the opinion of the Central Committee of the Spanish Communist Party, which is summarized in the following points:

"a) That the Soviet Union should not yield to anyone the initiative of reaffirming in the UN her anti-Franco position.

"b) That, in view of the opinions that may be expressed at the coming sessions of the UN, the Soviet representatives require the decisive discontinuance of all direct or indirect aid to the Franco regime.

"c) That the duplicity of Yankee diplomacy in sending railroad material to Franco and in consenting to loans from the private American banks be publicly denounced.

"d) That there be an investigation of the mission entrusted to several members of the North American Military Staff who at the present time are on an official mission to Spain and that the secret contacts that have existed between the Yankee military missions in Casablanca and the Spanish military missions of Tangier be denounced.

"e) That the extra-official Spanish representatives, headed by Mr. Albornoz, be required to reorganize the Spanish government, admitting to it our representatives among laborers and politicians.

"We assure you of our socialist protest.

Signed: Felipe M. Arconada and Ricardo Castellote.
Jose Dieguez, Secretary General of the Youths.

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